

Isomer studies @ CARIBU using CPT near ^{132}Sn

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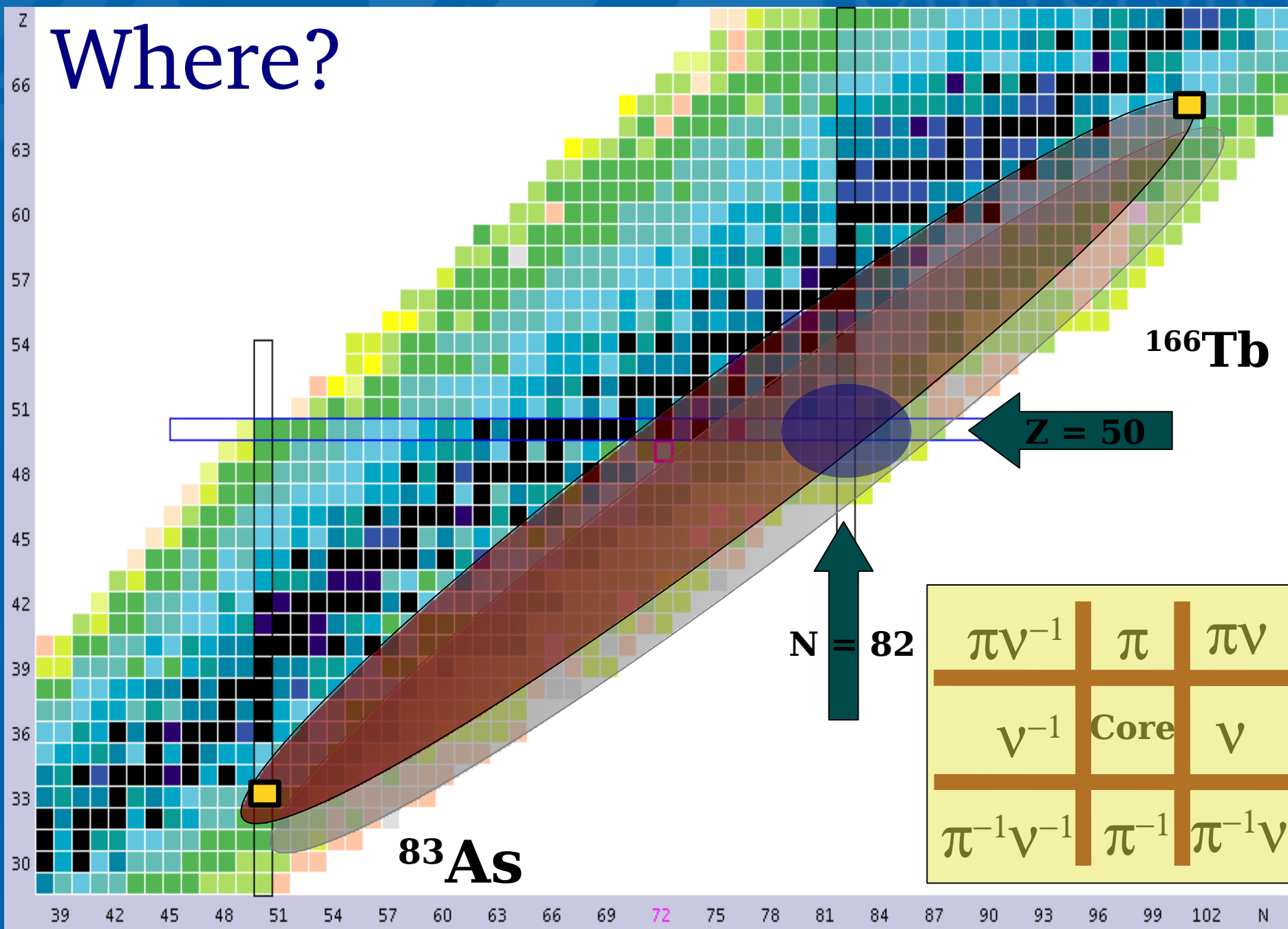
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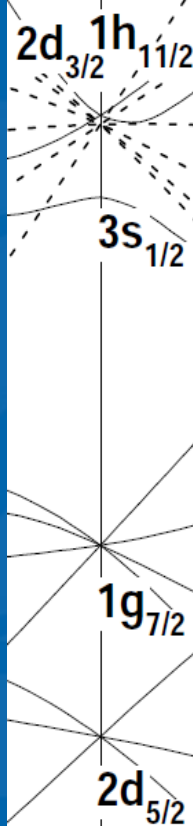
- Not much is known on neutron – rich side of the beta – stability valley e.g. first excited state, half-lives etc.
- Direct information on single – particle energies
- To fix level energies of known isomers
- To understand isomeric yield
- Provide crucial input to shell models

Why with CARIBU and CPT?

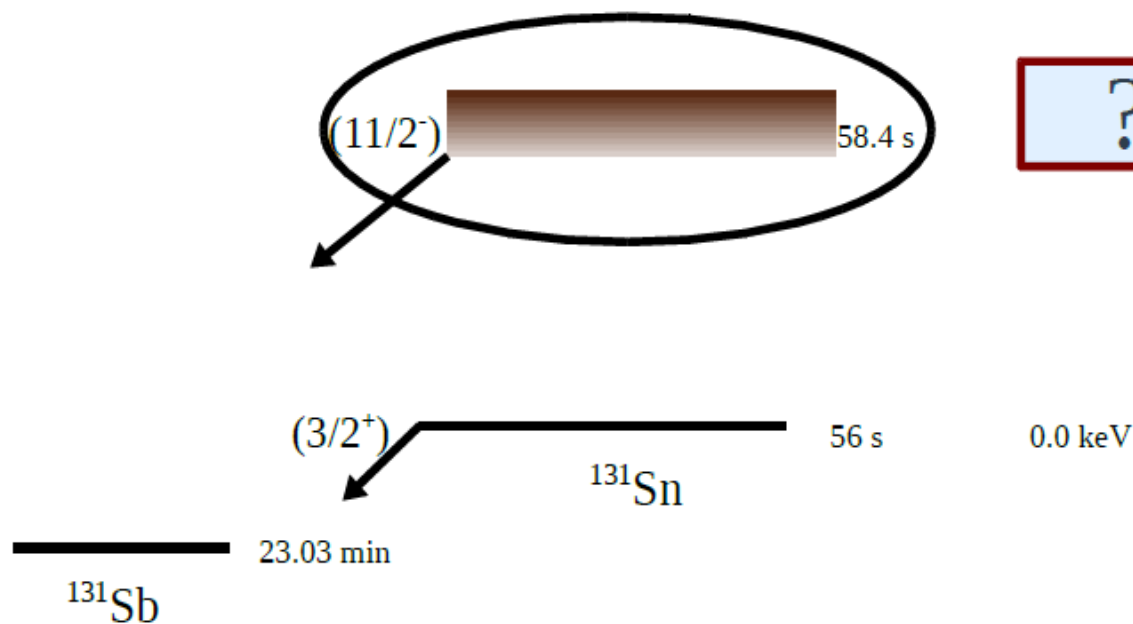
- ^{252}Cf fission will provide neutron – rich isotopes near ^{132}Sn with sufficient intensity (10^6 ions/sec).
- The isomer half – lives are long enough (seconds to minutes) so that they can be extracted from the ion – source.
- Expected energy separation between the ground state and the isomeric state is large enough to separate them using the CPT.
- Ground state masses of all the isotopes of interest are known very precisely.

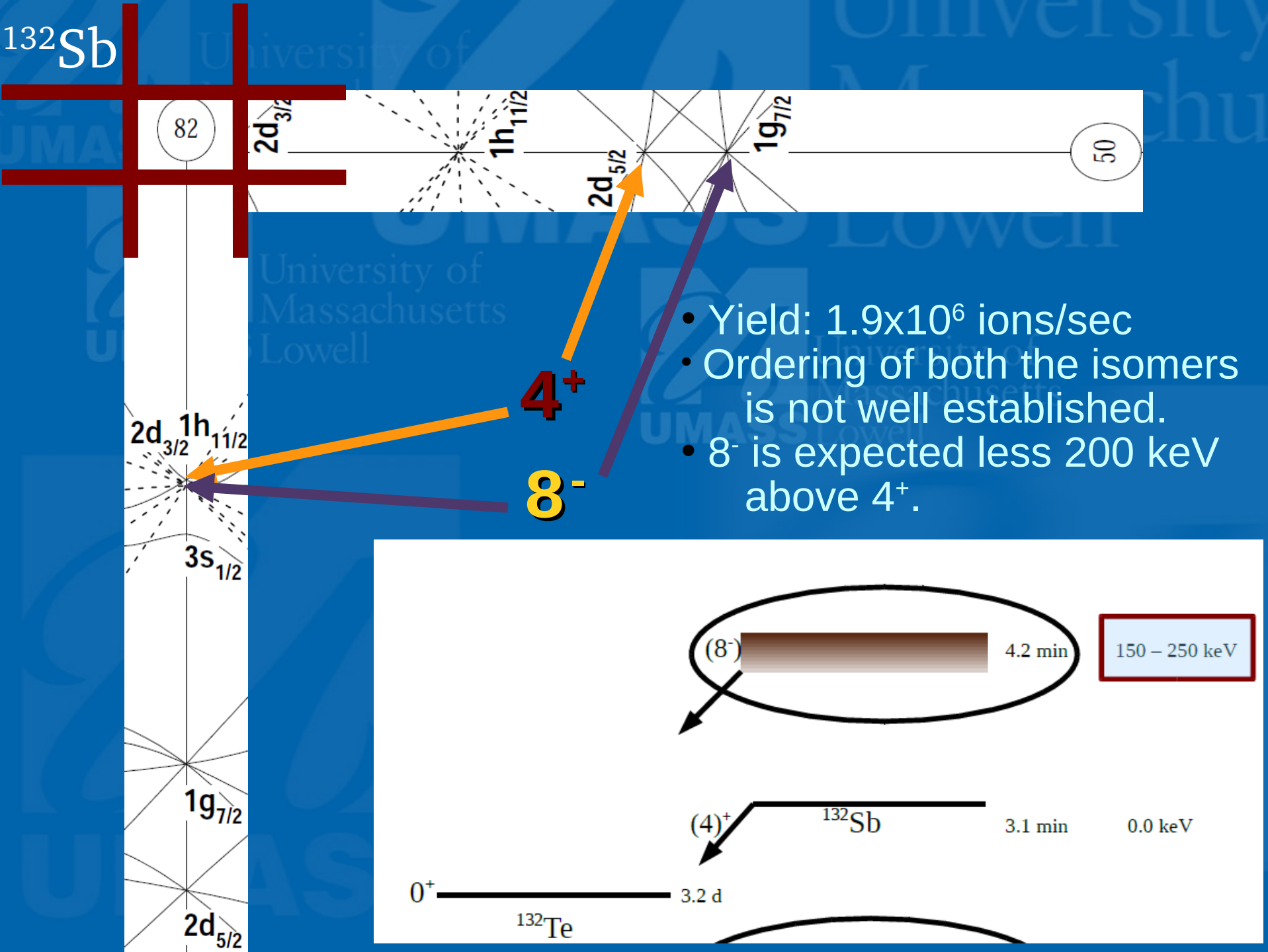
^{131}Sn

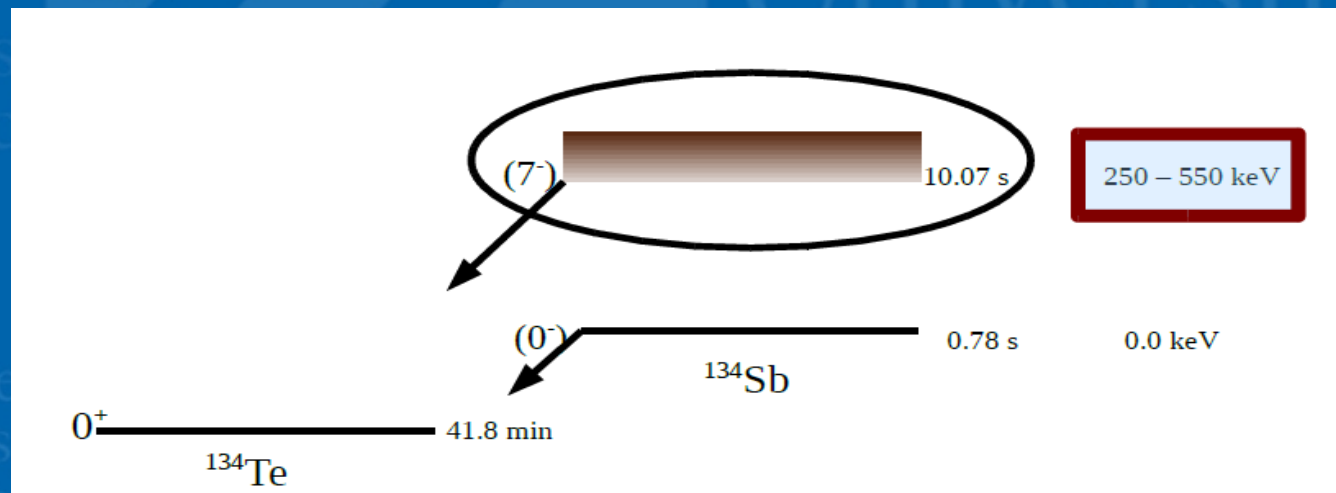
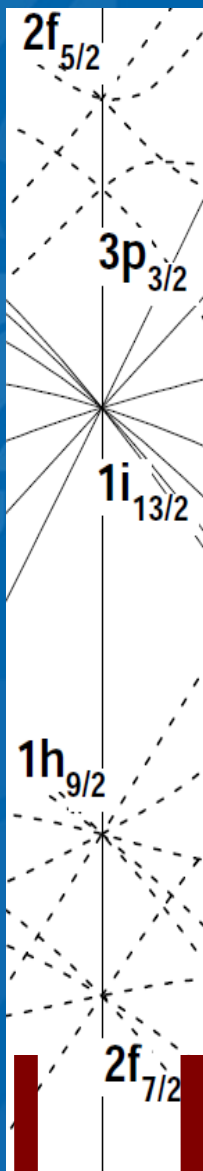
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- Neutron hole in $N = 82$
- Yield: 8×10^5 ions/sec
- Weisskopf estimates suggest $E_{11/2^-} = 700 - 900$ keV;
in agreement with $N = 81$ syst.
- Experimental studies expect this value to be around 65 keV --- in accordance with Odd-A Sn isotopes.

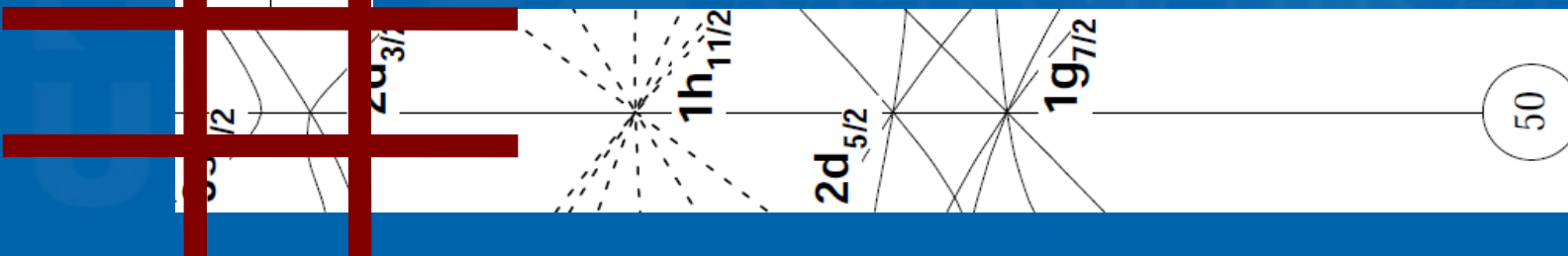






- Yield: 1.5×10^6 ions/sec
- Ordering of 0^- and 7^- is not known experimentally
- Shell model predicts 7^- to lie between 250-550 keV above 0^- state.

^{134}Sb



How?

- No gamma rays originate from the isomeric states.
- All the isomers decay with 100% beta decay branch to their daughter nuclei.
- Two approaches to determine the excitation of such isomers
 - (1.) Beta – Gamma coincidence:
Limitations: Beta and gamma efficiencies, large errors (few tens of keV), background..
 - (2.) Mass measurements:
Limitations: Half lives and mass resolution

Resolution of nuclear ground and isomeric states by a Penning trap mass spectrometer

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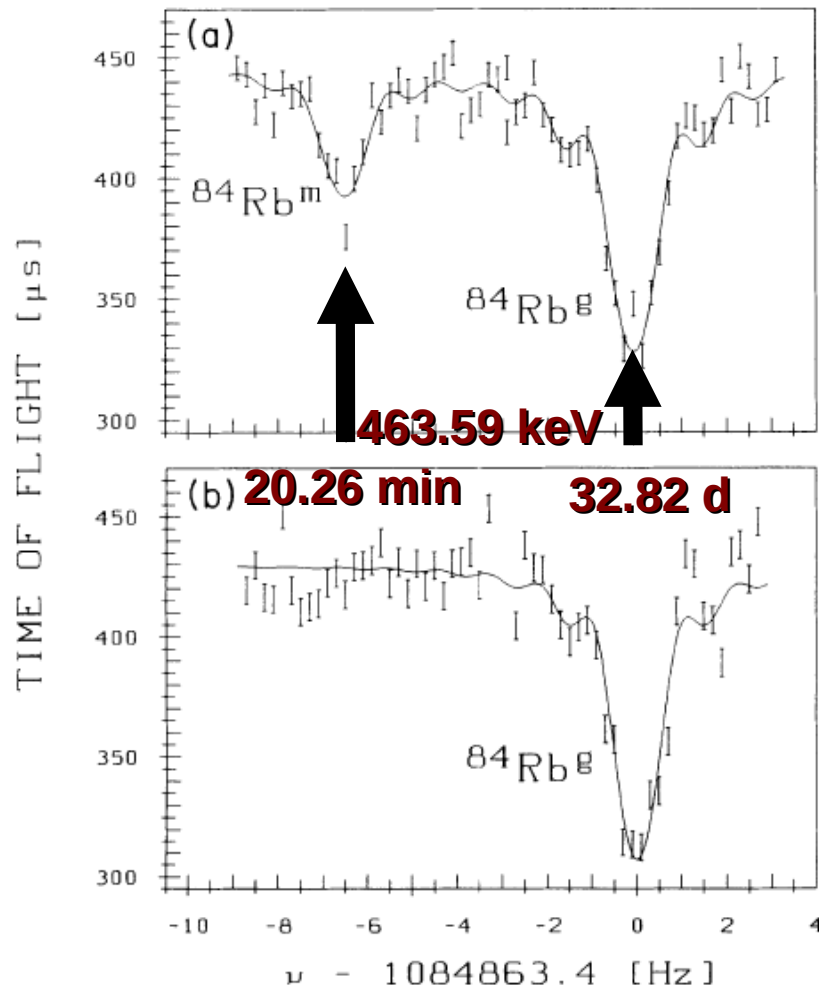


FIG. 1. Cyclotron resonances for ^{84}Rb ions. The measurements were performed (a) shortly after the collection of the ions and (b) with a delay of several half-lives of the isomeric state.

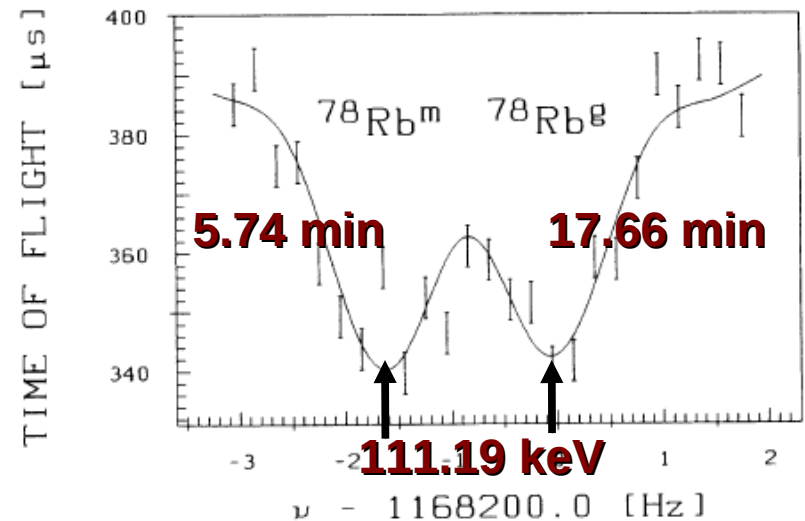


FIG. 2. Cyclotron resonances of the ground and isomeric states of ^{78}Rb .

Well known isomers in ^{130}In , ^{133}Te , ^{134}I , ^{135}Xe , ^{136}I etc. could be used for calibration and/or to check feasibility of the technique.

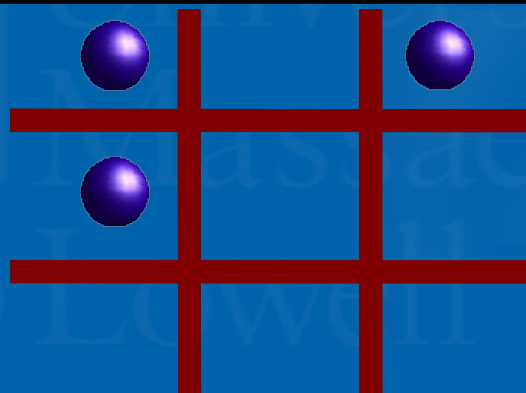
Alternatively,

The beta – gamma coincidence studies at decay station can also be performed to estimate the excitation energies of the isomers.

The two measurements will complement each other.

Summary

- Possible candidates for isomeric studies using CPT near neutron – rich doubly magic ^{132}Sn are discussed.
- Isotopic yields are of the order of 10^6 ions/sec.
- Half lives are long enough to extract ions from the ion source.
- Expected energy difference between the ground states and the isomeric states is well above mass resolution of the CPT.
- These measurements will provide a test of shell model calculations on neutron-rich side of nuclear chart.
- These measurements require expertise from the CPT group.



Thank you